

BSA Troop 918 Committee Meeting Minutes – 28 Jan 2019

Len M
Suresh J
Babet R
Dong N
Greg W
Maureen W

Brett M
Michael K
Paul S
Keith L
Aaron K
Brien C

SECRETARY – Brien C (/Maureen W)

- Meeting minutes for the previous Committee Meeting were approved by the Executive Committee and are posted on Troop 918 website under Committee tab.

CHARTERED ORGANIZATION REP—Keith L

- OSLC facility scheduling is impacted for another 2-3 months while they host another congregation

TREASURER/FUNDRAISING — Suresh J

- All dues up to date
- Suresh working to set up Troop as nonprofit in Facebook and Amazon Smile for donations, as well as correcting the PayPal setup
- 1 person left for Seabase payment
- 400 camp cards ordered - Len organizing
- Troop hasn't signed up for popcorn yet - may need to wait for council
- Summer camp payment schedule - discount before April 12

ADVANCEMENT – Dave N (could not attend)

- Eric P successful Tenderfoot BOR
- COH coming up in March

MEMBERSHIP – Dave N/Len M

- Adults in the pipeline: Mark L, Brien C, Mike P, others from T857. Checks collected for Brien C and Mark L, Len will turn in adult applications.
- 2 AOL scouts visiting
- Blue and Gold Schedule – Pack 918, March 9. Others?
- New Committee members from T857

OUTDOOR PROGRAM – Brett M

- See complete schedule below

QUARTERMASTER –Aaron K

- New medical kits still TBD
- May convert Adult mess kit to a new patrol kit
- Maureen following up on broken projector screen

SPL –Garrett B

- Outdoor event updates
- Garrett will identify OA rep
- COH first Monday in March

SCOUTMASTER—Mike B

- Fantastic camp trip at Henson
- Patrols worked well together
- Replaced fencing at Lodge
- Move to 3 patrols
- Move axe yard to different config
- Scouts will Pick t-shirt color
- New transfers from 768?
- Feb 23 T857 Eagle COH - Aaron and Dominic. All T918 invited.
- Len has opportunities for service hours for interested scouts
 - Winter relief at St. Margaret's Church, March 25-31

CALENDAR REVIEW

- CoH – March 4
 - FoS

WEBMATTERS – Len/Maureen

- Get new Scouts/parents on Scoutbook

OLD BUSINESS

- Eagle Plaque Updates (Len) – DONE!
- New Troop T-Shirts, et al (Maureen)
- Signage/Banner (Len)
- Youth Leadership Scholarship – see proposed section for handbook
 - Plan to vote up/down next month

NEW BUSINESS

- None

Proposed addition to Troop Handbook Re: Youth Leadership Scholarship

Purpose: To establish a perpetual scholarship fund to assist youth with registration fees for National Youth Leadership Training.

Troop 918 will create a separate accounting line for the Youth Leadership Training Scholarship. This line will accommodate the expenditure of at least two (2) \$125 scholarships for NYLT. Current cost of NYLT is \$250 per person. If the cost of NYLT increase, the scholarship will increase to 50% of the registration cost.

The intention is that this line have at least \$250 in it at the beginning of each calendar year. Income for the fund may come from multiple sources:

- Donations from parents and/or interested parties
- A portion of excess funds from the troop general fund
- Fundraising activities, if necessary

For a youth to receive the scholarship funds, they must formally request assistance from the Troop Committee, and subsequently must report back to the Troop Committee at the conclusion of the training activity that they have completed the training and share their experiences. The Scout will be expected to pay the full registration fee. At successful completion, the Scout will be reimbursed for 50% of that fee. If there are hardship issues, the Troop Committee, with a majority vote, can provide the scholarship "up front" so that it may be used to pay the initial registration fee.

This scholarship can only be disestablished by a majority vote of registered adult Scouters in Troop 918, at which point funds will be transferred to the troop general fund.

2018-19 TROOP 918 EVENT

SCHEDULE

January 2019-1/25-27

Overnight: Shooting Spts Program, Yurt
camping reserved (Henson) \$345 PAID
\$2/scout/day shooting NOT PAID

Need to renew Youth card

February 2019

No Overnight Events (1st weekend March)

March 2019

Overnight: Henson Muzzle/22s 3/1-3
Nanticoke Lodge Reserved/ \$245 Paid

Overnight: Battleship NJ \$69/person
/Eastern State Penitentiary/Philadelphia
3/23- Reserved 30 (26 confirmed + 4 extra)

Paid \$600 deposit on 12-19-18

\$1470 due 2/21/19 (\$44/person)

Radio merit badge (by 2/10/19)

Merit Badge Madness 3/29-3/31

April 2019

Overnight 4/26-28:

- 1) Laurel (PA) Caverns- 3 hr drive
 - a. Reserved Geology merit badge for 10am (\$18) and Lower cave tour (\$25) on 4/27
 - b. Can add upper cave tour later for no additional down payment
 - c. Stay at Ohiopyle state park
 - d. Yurts \$57/5 people; cottage \$42/5people; group tent \$60
 - e. Need to reserve by phone 888-727-2757

Spring Break 4/17-4/22/NYLT 4/12-14

May 2019

Overnight 5/11/19: Old Rag hiking

Stay: Matthews Arms Campsite

Reserved \$50, Group site D166

Other: Day biking trip

NYLT 5/17-19

June 2019

Overnight: Whitewater rafting-Harper's Ferry
(Tentatively 6/21-23)

- a. River and Trail--Scout Day \$57.50 ½ day with lunch (normal \$71--add zip line \$20)
- b. Harpers Ferry Adventure Ctr. ½ day \$41/person. Add ropes course for additional \$29/person

July 2019

Overnight: BSA Summer Camp-Goshen (7/7-13) RESERVED

July/August 2019

Overnight: Age>13, Seabase (8/2-9)

September 2019

Overnight: Wilderness survival weekend

Other: Drive-In Movie (Benjie's)- could camp out or not

October 2019

Overnight: Gettysburg 10/18-20/2019-
reservation made site#1

Gettysburg Battlefield/ghost tour

November 2019

Overnight: USS Constellation and visit to
Baltimore sites

Future: Philmont in 2020?